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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached please find Form PTO-1449 together with the reference as stated in the specification.

- WO 02/061 522 as discussed on Pages 3 and 4 of the specification.

The following references have been cited in the International Phase of the above-identified application.

- WO 02/061 522 discloses a centering device for longitudinal elements and a resetting device for motor vehicles. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 2.

- JP 4-34262 has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 2. No translation is available at this time.

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- EP 0 943 845 discloses a bias mechanism for single shift shaft mechanical transmissions. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 2.

- DE 199 25 032 discloses a snap-in device for an operating shaft of a ratchet mechanism. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 and 2. No full translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.

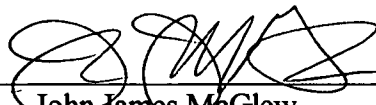
Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner the following reference.

- WO 99/32316 discloses a maneuvering device.

Consideration of the above references is requested.

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LIST OF REFERENCES CITED

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Ex- aminer Initial	Document No.	Date	Country	Class	Sub- class	Translation Yes/No
	<u>WO 02/061522</u>	<u>Aug. 8, 2002</u>	<u>International</u>			<u>Yes</u>
	<u>JP 4-34262</u>	<u>Feb. 5, 1992</u>	<u>Japan</u>			<u>Yes</u>
	<u>EP 0 943 845</u>	<u>Sept. 22, 1999</u>	<u>Europe</u>			<u>Yes</u>
	<u>DE 199 25 032</u>	<u>Dec. 7, 2000</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>WO 99/32316</u>	<u>July 1, 1999</u>	<u>International</u>			<u>Yes</u>

OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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